GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:388
ANSWERED ON:03.05.2012
SEPARATE CADRES OF LOCO PILOTS
Kalmadi Shri Suresh;Sharma Shri Jagdish

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the High Level Safety Review Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Anil Kakodkar has in its report observed that many train accidents are caused due to availing of the services of loco pilots of diesel locomotives for electric locomotives and vice versa;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) the remedial measures being proposed/taken in this regard;

(d) whether the railways propose to set up separate cadre of loco pilots for diesel and electric locomotives respectively; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MUKUL ROY)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 388 BY SHRI SURESH KALMADI & SHRI JAGDISH SHARMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 03.05.2012 REGARDING SEPARATE CADRES OF LOCO PILOTS :

(a) to (c): No, Madam. Instructions already exist for loco pilots to work on dual traction i.e diesel/electric locomotives and proper training is imparted to them before they are booked for working on either locomotive. No accidents have been attributed to diesel trained loco pilot working electric train or vice versa.

(d) & (e): No, Madam. The existing system of combined cadre is as per the policy of Ministry of Railways which has been framed taking into consideration all the pros and cons of the system.